

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 220 – SB 1787

April 16, 2009

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (006448): Adds language to the original bill that establishes the verification of the validity of a TennCare enrollee's Social Security number (SSN) at the time of application is required prior to disenrolling individuals for reasons relating to restricting eligibility or enrollment for fiscal or other reasons not required by federal law.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures - \$419,900/One-Time

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- The estimated fiscal impact of the original bill was based on the costs associated with the Department of Human Services verifying each TennCare enrollee's SSN each time the Bureau of TennCare was implementing any proposed eligibility or enrollment restrictions for fiscal reasons.
- The proposed bill as amended establishes that the initial verification of an individual's SSN or legal status performed by DHS prior to enrollment in the program is sufficient to meet the provisions of the bill.
- Any cost can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director

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